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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Northrup et al.

Group Art Unit: 1631

Application No: 09/271,411

Examiner: MARSCHEL, A.

Filed: March 17, 1999

Customer No.: 25213

Title: "Unitary Chemical Processing Device"

BOX AF

Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

Dear Sir:

### TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Transmitted herewith for filing in the above-entitled patent application are the following:

- 1. Amendment
- 2. Notice of Appeal
- 3. Check in the amount of \$445
- 4. Return Receipt Postcard

### [X] Petition For Extension Of Time

Applicant(s) hereby petition(s) for an extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136(a) to respond to the Office action mailed January 31, 2001, for

Γ.	] one month	\$110.00/\$55
	two months	
	three months	

the fee (37 CFR 1.17) for which is authorized below.

Serial No. 09/271,411 Filed: March 17, 1999

# **Deposit Account Authorization**

- [X] There is no increase in the number of independent, dependent or multiple dependent claims beyond those previously paid for.
- [ ] There is an increase in the number of independent, dependent or multiple dependent claims beyond those previously paid for. The required fee is calculated below.

Claims Remaining After Amendment: \_\_ Total, \_\_ Independent Highest No. Previously Paid For: \_\_ Total, \_\_ Independent

Additional independent claims (above 3): _ @ \$80 or \$40 each	\$0.00 \$0.00 <u>\$0.00</u>
PLUS Extension of Time Fee: PLUS Fee for Missing Parts: TOTAL FEE DUE:	\$445.00 \$0.00 \$445.00

- [X] A check is enclosed in the amount of \$445 for the 3-Month Extension of Time Fee.
- [X] The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees (or credit any overpayment) associated with this communication and which may be required under 37 CFR §1.16 or §1.17 to Account No. 08-1641, referencing Docket No. 22660-0009 P1. Aduplicate sheet is attached.
- [X] Correspondence Customer Number: <u>25213</u>.

Respectfully submitted,

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In response to the final Office Action mailed January 31, 2001, the applicant requests entry of the following amendment after final rejection to put the application in condition for allowance.

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#### AMENDMENT C

### IN THE TITLE:

Please replace the title with the following title:

-- CHEMICAL PROCESSING DEVICE--

# IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 4, line 22, with the following paragraph:

--In a preferred embodiment, the device comprises a body, preferably a molded polymeric part, having formed therein a reaction chamber for chemically reacting a sample, a separation